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MEMORANDUM FOR: Deputy Director (Administration)

1 October 1951

FROM

Chief, Budget Division

SUBJECT

Revision of Project DD/A-41-52, Medical Personnel

Beginning in fiscal year 1951, Medical Office under Project DD/A-87-51 (fiscal year 1952, DD/A-41-52) was given the responsibility for the recruitment and training of medical personnel who would be utilized in connection with operational projects. At the time the project was initiated, it was not possible to forecast in detail requirements for the project and, therefore, the PRC request gave general approval to the plan. The project was approved in an representing an initial allotment to allow for amount of the functioning of the doctor and technician training pools on the assumption that the Medical Office would be reimbursed by OPC for the cost of the trainees on assignment to specific projects. The amount approved by PRC, projected on a full-year basis, amounts to

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The approved project specified only expenditures for personal service costs and travel. In the development of the project, however, the need has arisen for gertain operational support expenses such as supplies, equipment and other requirements in support of the training program which could not be foreseen at the time of the initiation of the project. These additional requirements include:

> a. Additional per diem and travel expenses \$9,630 for doctors and technicians

b. Operation of a safe house in the Washington area

c. Medical equipment and supplies 23,500

Total

2,400

Offsetting these additional costs are an estimated savings of \$28,500 due to delay in filling approved training slots as rapidly as anticipated and \$1,150 resulting from utilization of W.A.E. for recruiting purposes rather than GS-14 doctor (Personnel) as approved in the project. The revised estimated requirements, therefore, represent a net increase of only \$5,880 over the annual rate originally approved by PRC, as indicated on the attached comparative statement.

The Chief of the Medical Office believes that the safe house is necessary for the proper conduct of the training program and that it is not feasible to share existing safe house facilities with other offices because of the special requirements in connection. with the program, especially due to the fact that special medical supplies and equipment must be maintained and utilized at the safe house. PARTITION

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5. The Medical Office has requested approval of the revised plan as indicated above. In view of the fact that it is likely that the revised estimated cost, after taking into consideration probable additional savings due to delay in getting the program in full operation, will not exceed the amount approved by PRC, it does not appear necessary that the project again be referred to PRC for review. However, inasmuch as the revised plan does include provision for a safe house and other operational support items which were not specified in the original project approval, we thought it desirable to call the matter to your attention prior to the allotment of funds for this purpose. If you feel that review by PRC is necessary, we will be glad to prepare the necessary PRC request.

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Acting Deputy Director (Administration)

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